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SUBJ: MBFR: FRENCH DATA PROBLEM

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1. FRG DELEGATION OFFICER (CITRON) HAS INFORMED US THAT IN
RESPONSE TO A QUESTION FROM HIM, FRENCH DELEGATION OFFICER
(GUELLUY) CONFIRMED THAT THE FRENCH OBJECTION TO INCLUSION OF
DATA ON FRENCH FORCES IN WORKING GROUP STUDY HAD BEEN MADE AT THE
DELEGATION LEVEL. FRENCH DELEGATION WAS CONCERNED THAT
PARIS WOULD OBJECT TO UPDATING OF WG STUDIES WITH INCLUSION
OF FRENCH FIGURES.

2. CITRON TOLD US THAT BELGIAN DELEGATION OFFICER (CROLLEN)
HAD TOLD HIM THAT GUELLUY HAD REMARKED TO CROLLEN THAT HE DID
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NOT EXCLUDE THE FRENCH CLOSING THEIR EYES TO THE MAIN PROBLEM
ON THE WORKINGS OF THE COMMON CEILING. CROLLEN ALSO CONFIRMED
THIS TO US.

3. FRG DELEGATION NOW HAS INSTRUCTIONS FROM BONN THAT THE FURTHEST
THE FRG CAN GO TO ACCOMMODATE THE FRENCH DELEGATION IS A FOOTNOTE
IN WG DOCUMENTS REFLECTING THE FRENCH VIEWPOINT.

4. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH FRENCH DELEGATION NOW REJECTS A
FOOTNOTE SOLUTION, THIS WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE THE SOLUTION

SUPPORTED BY MOST ALLIES AT THE JANUARY 17 SPC MEETING. WE ASSUME THAT THE US CAN STILL GO ALONG, PER REF A, WITH AN ALLIED CONSENSUS ON THE FOOTNOTE PROPOSED BY FRANCE AT THE OCTOBER 13, 1975 SPC MEETING, WHICH READ: "THE DATA ON FRENCH FORCES IN GERMANY CONTAINED IN THE PRESENT DOCUMENT HAVE NOT BEEN SUPPLIED BY THE FRENCH AUTHORITIES, WHO CANNOT VOUCH FOR THEIR ACCURACY. THEIR INCLUSION IN NO WAY SIGNIFIES THAT THE FRENCH FORCES ARE CONCERNED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY BY THE MBFR NEGOTIATIONS AND ANY CONSEQUENCES THEREOF." END COMMENT.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE FOR JANUARY 17 SPC MEETING PER PARA 12, REF B. STRAUSS-HUPE

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